IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

VIRGINIA HOPPER,)
)
Plaintiff/Counterclaim Defendant,	 Removed from the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Alabama Civil Action No.: CV-07-628
v.) *******************
) Case No.: 2:07-cv0457-MEF
JACKIE GRAHAM, et al.,)
)
Defendants/Counterclaim Plaintiffs.)

RESPONSE AND OBJECTION BY DEFENDANTS TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO COMPEL

COME NOW Defendants "Alabama State Personnel Department" (named in the Complaint as "The Personnel Board of the State of Alabama") and Jackie Graham and respond and object to Plaintiff's Motion to Compel said Defendants to fully respond to Plaintiff's Request for Production as follows:

- Plaintiff has failed to comply with Rule 37(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of 1. Civil Procedure because Plaintiff failed to include a certification that counsel for the Plaintiff has in good faith conferred or attempted to confer with counsel for said Defendants in an effort to resolve the discovery matters without court action.
- 2. The undersigned counsel for said Defendants is certainly willing to schedule a convenient time with plaintiff's counsel to discuss and attempt to resolve the issues made the subject of Plaintiff's Motion to Compel. The direct dial telephone number for the undersigned counsel is 334-353-0046.

Respectfully submitted this the 11th day of April 2008.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing and/or that a copy of the foregoing has been served upon the following by placing a copy in the United States mail, properly addressed and postage prepaid on this the 11th day of April 2008.

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